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- (2) (a) what is the number of appointments proposed to be made ;  
 (b) how many of these additional appointments are to be filled up by Hindus, how many by Muhammadans and how many by Anglo-Indians ; and  
 (3) whether the additional appointments are to be filled in by policemen already in service in the City Police with previous experience of control of motor traffic or from the mufassal police and in what proportions ?

A.—(1) Yes.

(2) (a) One inspector and four sub-inspectors.

(2) (b) & (3) The Government have no information.

Khan Bahadur MUHAMMAD SADULLA BADSHA SAHIB :—" With reference to the answer to question No. 620 (2) (b) may I know if the Government will call for the information ?"

The hon. Mr. K. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR :—" No, Sir. It is not our practice. At present I do not know whether the appointments cannot be made by the Commissioner of Police himself."

*Demarcation stones in the Presidency.*

621 Q.—Mr. A. TANGAVELU NAYAGAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state in a tabular form—

(a) the demand and collection under 'Repairs and Renewals' of demarcation stones in the several districts of the Presidency during the year 1921-22 as also the amount realized in each district by the adoption of coercive process such as sale of immovables, etc. ;

(b) whether the Government are aware that the ryots are put to a good deal of inconvenience and loss by the Revenue officers inspecting the demarcation stones at their whims and fancies without any regularity, and by issuing demands frequently ;

(c) whether the Government are aware that as the work of repairing or planting demarcation stones is generally done by the village menials concerned as part of their legitimate duties and the amounts advanced by the Government for engaging coolies for the said purpose are misappropriated by the revenue inspector and karnam, the major portion going to the former, even unrepaired stones are shown as having been repaired and the ryots charged therefor, and that the report of the revenue inspector is final, the fraud not being easy of detection ?

A.—(a) A statement showing the demand and collection under renewal and repair of survey marks in the several districts of the Presidency during the year 1921-22 is annexed.\* Information regarding the amount realized in each district by the adoption of coercive process is not available.

(b) Under the Survey and Boundaries Act the ryot is bound to keep the survey marks on or within the boundaries of his

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holding in good repair and renew them if missing. If he fails to do so, the revenue inspector as survey officer can, under the rules issued under the Act, have the work carried out and recover the cost from the ryot. No complaints have been received of the alleged inconvenience and loss.

- (c) Under existing orders the services of village menials utilized in connexion with maintenance work are treated as hired labour and they are remunerated accordingly. No complaints have been received of the alleged misappropriation by revenue inspectors and karnams.

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—“ Are the ryots concerned allowed an opportunity to repair or renew these stones before the survey officers undertake the work ? ”

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur :  
“ The department always welcome the ryots' doing it.”

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—“ Are the ryots intimated of such repairs and renewals ? ”

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur :  
“ I believe so.”

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—“ Is there anything in the rules which compels the officers to issue any notices so that the hon. Member believes it to be so ? ”

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur :  
“ There is no rule enforcing the issue of a notice, and we shall probably have a lively discussion on it when the Bill is introduced.”

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—“ As regards the fees levied and the number of stones, are the fees in proportion to the number of stones laid ? ”

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur :  
“ The calculations are made with reference to the time and labour.”

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—“ I want to know whether the fee levied is in proportion to the number of stones laid ? If ten stones are laid, is the value of the officer distributed over all the ten stones or how ? ”

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur :  
“ The cost is in proportion to the work done by a particular individual.”

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—“ Sir, I appeal to you to get me an answer to my question ? ”

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—“ I do not think this is a function I can undertake.”